GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

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REIMBURSEMENT TO FCI
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government grants reimbursement to Food Corporation of India (FCI) for undertaking activities related to food;

(b) if so, the basis on which the said reimbursement is granted;

(c) the details of subsidy granted as reimbursement during the Tenth Five Year Plan, year-wise and item-wise;

(d) whether subsidy is provided to the State Governments for undertaking procurement under the decentralized procurement scheme;

(e) if so, the details of the subsidy paid for procurement during the Tenth Five Year Plan, State-wise, year-wise and foodgrain-wise;

(f) whether cases of corruption and financial irregularities have been detected in FCI during the Tenth Five Year Plan; and

(g) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH)

(a) & (b): The food subsidy is released to the Food Corporation of India (FCI) for the quantity of foodgrains distributed under Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS) and other welfare schemes (OWS). The difference between the economic cost of foodgrains of the FCI and issue prices is borne by the Central Government as food subsidy.

(c): The details of food subsidy released by the Government to the Food Corporation of India during the Tenth Five Year Plan, year-wise and item-wise is at Annexure-I.

(d) & (e): The details of food subsidy released to the State Governments/Agencies for procurement under the Decentralised procurement scheme during the Tenth Five Year Plan, State-wise and year- wise are at Annexure-II.

(f) & (g): FCI has informed that 214 cases have been detected due to defalcation of accounts/ misappropriation from 2003 to 2007. Appropriate action has been taken against delinquents and penalties have been awarded by the concerned disciplinary authorities according to the merit of the case.